



## DETROIT POLICE DEPARTMENT

### Notable Quotes and Thoughts for the Week:

The ultimate measure of man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge of controversy.

- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Never give up on what you really want to do.

The person with the big dreams is more powerful than one with all the facts.

-Unknown

Happiness is a way station between too little and too much

-Channing Pollock

The difference between a successful person and others is not lack of strength, not lack of knowledge but rather in a lack of will.

- Vincent J. Lombardi

# In It to Win It

A Weekly Update

February 25- March 3, 2003

## A Few Emergency Preparedness Tips

Terror Alert  
Lowered to "Yellow"  
Thursday,  
February 27th

Being prepared for an emergency involves learning as much as you can and making plans to act. Take steps to plan ahead for emergencies to protect yourself and your family. Your family and neighbors need to know exactly what they should do in an emergency.

1. Make a list of important local numbers. Citizens should write down non-emergency numbers for the police department, fire department, and FBI field office. Keep it by the phone and make copies for yourself and your family to keep in your wallets.
2. Develop a home evacuation plan and practice it with your family and neighbors. Know what to do if you are instructed to evacuate your home or community. Every child and other member of your family should know exactly how to get out of your home in case of fire or other emergency. Being prepared means knowing what to do if an emergency occurs in your community when you are away from home.
3. Be alert. Get to know your neighbors. Be aware of unusual or abandoned packages or vehicles and suspicious activities that should be reported to authorities.

Organize an emergency preparedness kit. Check batteries, change stored water, and rotate the stored supplies every six months. ☒

SOURCE: *United for a Stronger America: Citizens Preparedness Guide*, NCPC (2002)

### 14th Amendment Exhibit: The impact on Our History

The Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History will be featuring "Marching Toward Justice: The History of the 14th Amendment." It will be at the museum until May 11. The Museum is located at 315 E. Warren. It is open Wednesday-Saturday 9:30 A.M.- 5:00 P.M. and Sunday 1:00 P.M.- 5:00 P.M. The cost of admission is \$5.00 for adults, and \$3.00 for children 17 and under and free for members. For more info call 313-494-5800.

14th Amendment (1866)  
Action: Gave citizenship rights to former slaves and the right to vote.  
Impact: Equal protection under the law

### What to include in your Emergency Preparedness Kit:

1. Three-to-five-day supply of water.
2. First-aid kit.
3. Emergency tools (battery powered radio, cell phone, flash light, and extra batteries.
5. Personal items (toilet paper, plastic garbage bags).

## Detroit Police Vehicle Auction



All sales are Cash Only  
Vehicles are sold as is

### Auction Dates for 2003:

- February 25, 2003
- March 25, 2003
- April 29, 2003
- May 20, 2003

Where: Auto Pound  
6311 Caniff  
596-5570



When: 8:30am (P)



9:00am  
(Sale)



# DON'T PRESS YOUR LUCK ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY!



Many of us will celebrate St. Patrick's Day on Monday March 17<sup>th</sup>. The Detroit Police Department reminds Metro-Detroiters that drinking and driving may produce serious life-altering consequences. Drinking and driving causes accidents, citations, even death. As a proactive department we urge everyone to take extra special caution during this time of festivities, and find responsible ways to travel, such as designating a non-drinking driver.

According to the National Highway Safety Administration, Americans experience the highest percentage increase in traffic deaths related to alcohol use in 2000, the most recent year for which statistics are available. According to MADD, as of this time last year, 162 traffic fatalities were reported and of those 99 were alcohol related which brings that percentage well over 61 percent.

Driving impairment begins with the first drink. Don't press your luck this St. Patrick's Day. ✕

Nationally, 151 traffic fatalities occurred on St. Patrick's Day in 2000, of these fatalities, an alarming 46.4 percent were alcohol related.

-Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

## TERRORISM

### Remains the Most Talked About Subject on Television

*Terrorism* was the top topic on the three network TV evening newscasts in 2002, as it was the year before. According to Andrew Tyndall, who analyzes TV news trends in his newscasts on ABC, CBS and NBC devoted 2, 092 minutes to terrorism coverage, down significantly from 2, 535 minutes in 2001 but more than the 1, 756 minutes of economics coverage-the dominant evening-news subject before the Sept. 11 attacks.



#### THE THREE TOP TERRORISM STORIES IN 2002:

According to the National Information Officers Association (NIOA),

1. The Israeli-Palestinian conflict was the most-covered story taking up 996 minutes on the three broadcasts.
2. The aftermath of the Sept 11 attacks ranked second (571 min).
3. Coverage of Afghanistan (439 min.) and the U.S. targeting of Saddam Hussein's regime in Iraq (428 min.).

*Terrorism* threatens a society by instilling fear and helplessness in its citizens. It seeks to hold society or government hostage by fear of destruction and harm. (cont.)

## NABIL WASHINGTON BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT



On Thursday, March 6, 2003, at 6:00 P.M., the 1st Annual 6th Precinct, Nabil Washington Basketball Tournament Finals will be held at: St. Peter and Paul Gymnasium (Westwood & Tireman).

The Tournament is being sponsored by officers of the 6th Precinct in memory of 6th Precinct Police Officer Nabil Washington who died last year in a boating accident. ✕

According to Psychology in Daily Life, "When terrorist acts occur, people generally look for ways to cope with the acute stress and trauma. Terrorism evokes a fundamental fear of helplessness. The violent actions are random, unprovoked, and intentional, and often are targeted at defenseless citizens. Trying to cope with the irrational information that is beyond normal comprehension can set off a chain of psychological events culminating in feelings of fear, helplessness, vulnerability, and grief." ✕

**School Crossing Guards are needed more than ever! To Sign up, call Sgt. Elaine Spratt at the Traffic Safety Unit at 596- 1457 or stop by the office at 11631 Mt. Elliott.**

